

# Foggy Bottom News

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## LAST MEETING

An elected Comptroller and Corporation Counsel for the District of Columbia ...

The use of urban renewal as an instrument of land reform ...

Challenges through legal means of racist organizations and corporations ...

An attack on the root causes of poverty ...

The securing of full voting status for the District of Columbia ...

A reduction in the use by the government of eminent domain ...

These were the campaign pledges of six candidates for non-voting delegate to Congress from the District of Columbia who addressed the November 30 meeting of the Foggy Bottom Association. They represent top priorities of, respectively: Dr. David Dabney, Rev. Walter E. Fauntroy, Rev. Douglas Moore, John A. Nevius, Rev. Channing E. Phillips, and William K. Scheirer.

Rev. Fauntroy, Rev. Phillips and Mr. Scheirer are running in the Democratic primary; Mr. Nevius will enter the Republican primary; and Dr. Dabney and Rev. Moore will run in the final election as independents.

Foggy Bottomians jammed Pillsbury Hall at St. Paul's Church to hear the views of the candidates — the entire two-hour meeting was devoted to the presentations. (Only candidates who had declared by November 1 were invited to speak. Channing Phillips had to leave early to attend a conflicting event, and was ably represented by Mr. James Dyke, a Howard University student.)

In response to a question from the floor, the candidates expressed unanimous opposition to further freeways in the District of Columbia and to the construction of the Three Sisters Bridge, and expressed their willingness to so testify at the December 14 hearings before the City Council on the design of the bridge.

Leslie Wilder



## A WORTHY CAUSE WITH RETURNS IN PLEASURE . . .

Among the many worthy causes to which the Foggy Bottom Association has contributed, one that has surely rewarded the givers with more than the knowledge that they have done something good is the D.C. Youth Orchestra, which has won for its members and for the United States honors in the musical world.

Earlier in the year the FBA responded to an appeal for funds to finance a trip for the young group to the 1970 International Festival of Youth Orchestras in St. Moritz, Switzerland. The orchestra not only made it to St. Moritz last summer—they won the highest mark of approval of a European audience (a rhythmic clapping in unison by the audience) in its performance of Aaron Copland's "Outdoor Overture."

In the finale concert of the Festival, at which the best 120 players in the visiting nine orchestras were selected to play, the D.C. Youth Orchestra placed 30 players in all four sections (woodwinds, strings, brass and percussion).

The orchestra that played at St. Moritz was composed of

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# MAILBOX



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Cora Siddayao

Went into a lunch counter one hot day for a cold drink. The empty cup on my left still had the tea bag and tab in the saucer. The tab read,

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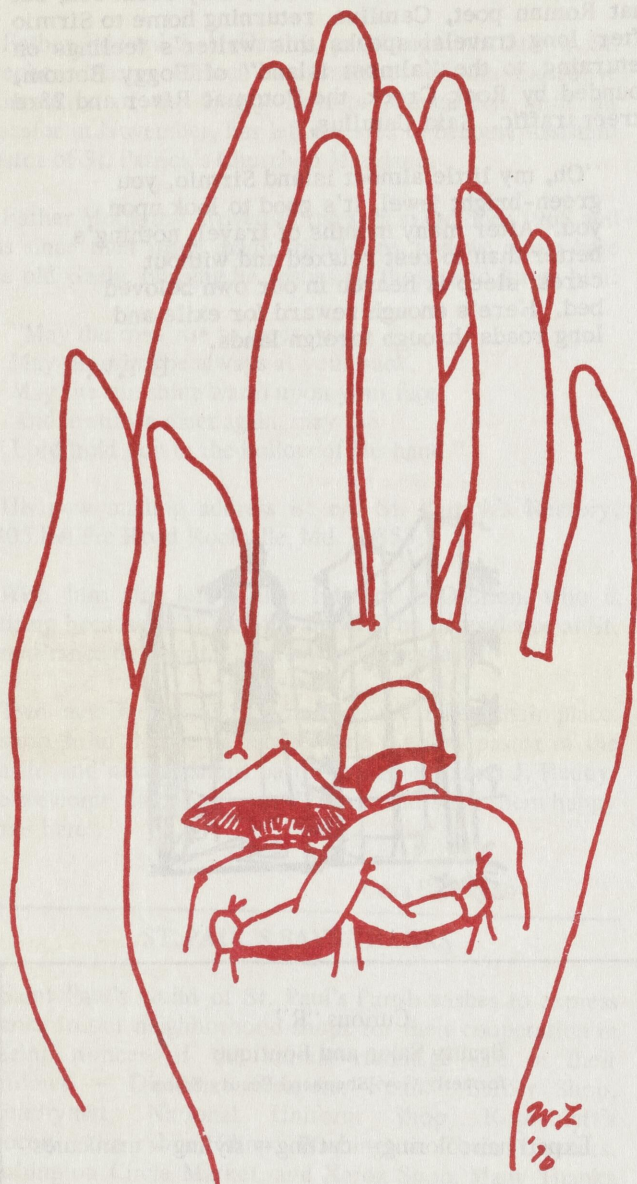
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### A CHRISTMAS LIST

Candlelight - star bright  
 Holly green - winter scene  
 Tall spruce - roast goose  
 Love, hope - tinsel rope  
 Trumpet toy - drummer boy  
 Carols clear - family dear  
 Stockings hung - bells rung  
 Gift of gold - manger old  
 Church open - prayer spoken  
 Santa Claus - snowy paws  
 Warm fire - angel choir  
 Wreath on door - cards galore  
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## MONTESSORI CHILDREN'S CENTER

### NOW IN FOGGY BOTTOM

A new addition to the educational scene in the Georgetown-Foggy Bottom area is the Montessori Children's Center, which recently opened at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2430 K Street.

The Montessori Children's Center is unique among Montessori International schools in northwest Washington in that it offers not only the regular Montessori program for children ages 2½ through 7 but a full day-care program for the children of working mothers as well. It is one of only three or four Montessori schools in the entire Washington metropolitan area which provide day-care services. Interest in Montessori education has increased rapidly in the United States during the 1960's, and there are now several dozen Montessori schools in the Washington area alone.

Although the Montessori system of education is perhaps best known for its success in teaching very young children to read and write, the principal purpose of Montessori education is to promote self-confidence and self-discipline in the child by providing him with a controlled environment within which he is able to achieve success in an ever broadening range of activities through the use of a variety of ingeniously designed sensorial materials. Although the children participate in a variety of group activities such as singing, rhythm band, foreign language lessons, primary stress is placed on helping each individual child to advance at his own pace and in his own way.

The Montessori Children's Center, which was formerly located on Nebraska Avenue, is staffed by two graduate Montessori teachers and an assistant teacher. It has facilities to accommodate forty children. According to Miss Charlotte Givaudan, the directress, a few places are now available for three-year-olds both in the regular and day-care programs.

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"Oh, my little almost island Sirmio, you green-bright jewel, it's good to look upon you. After many months of travel, nothing's better than to rest relaxed and without cares; sleep is heaven in our own beloved bed. Here's enough reward for exile and long roads through foreign lands."

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**FATHER MCCARTHY, FBA Board Member, Leaves . . .**

Father Edward J. McCarthy, parish administrator at St. Stephen Martyr Church and member of the Executive Committee of the Foggy Bottom Association until his transfer in November, has left the area to become Assistant Pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Maryland.

Father McCarthy arrived in the area in October 1968 and has since then made many friendships, and we quote here the old Gaelic blessing he wishes all those who know him:

"May the road rise to meet you,  
May the wind be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
And, until we meet again, may the  
Lord hold you in the hollow of His hand."

His new mailing address is: c/o St. Patrick's Rectory, 4305 Bel Pre Road Rockville, Md. 20853.

With him also left Father Edward J. O'Brien, who is retiring because of ill health, and will be in residence at St. Jane France de Chantal Rectory in Bethesda.

Two new faces and new names have taken their place. Bishop John S. Spence has become the new pastor of the parish, and new assistant pastor is Father James J. Reddy. We welcome them to Foggy Bottom and wish them happy times here.

Cora Siddayao

**ST. PAUL'S SAYS THANKS**

Saint Paul's Guild of St. Paul's Parish wishes to express thanks to our neighborhood shops for their cooperation in placing notices of the annual rummage sale in their windows - Diplomat Cleaners, Frank's Barber Shop, Laundrymat, National Uniform Shop, Rosenblatt's Grocery, the Shoe Shop, Washington Circle Cleaners, Washington Circle Market, and Xerox Shop. Many Thanks to our good neighbors.

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"Humanity, in its desire for comfort, has overreached itself. It has exploited the riches of nature too far. Quietly and complacently it is sinking into decadence, and progress has come to mean the progress of the Machine."

This was said by the well known writer, E.M. Forster in 1928 in "The Machine Stops", a kind of science-fiction horror story. He wrote, also, *Passage to India*, which was several strides ahead of the kind of thought current at the time it was written.

Burton T. Wilson

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If you still have some last minute Christmas shopping to do, The United Nations Gift Shop, 3143 N. St., N.W. is the perfect place to find unusual and reasonably priced gifts from all parts of the world.

The shop opened a year ago and is located in two small rooms on the second floor of a townhouse off the corner of Wisconsin and N. St. Run by volunteers, the shop sends all profits to the U.N. Center. There are plans for expansion and the management hopes that eventually the gifts will represent all 127 countries in the U.N. Right now there are items from over forty-five nations.

When I visited I was fascinated with their unique collection of jewelry. Especially attractive is the assortment of enamel jewelry inspired by the Irish "Book of Kells." Other impressive items are a filigreed ivory bracelet from India, and a collection of copper and brass pendants and bracelets from Mexico. There is a wide variety of rings and earrings from India and Pakistan. One of the volunteers told me that they expect to greatly enlarge the jewelry selection as soon as room permits.

Some of the nicest items in the store are the gifts for children. There are hand puppets from Russia clad in gaily colored smocks, and rag dolls, hand made in Annapolis. For the boys there are bow and arrow sets carved in Taiwan from a shiny reddish brown wood. My favorite was a set of carved wooden animals from Equador - donkeys, camels, and rams, all extremely low in price. Musical instruments, such as Moroccan drums, and a xylophone from the U.S.S.R. would be perfect for children of any age.

For the home there is a set of hand-painted china from Poland, and from Holland, dainty salt and pepper mills that rest in a wooden cradle. Religious wood sculpture from Canada, painted brass vases and plates from Pakistan, and a silver cigarette box from Iran were among some of the other striking pieces.

There is a wide assortment of handbags - knitted ones from Hungary, a goatskin satchel from Ghana, as well as a filigreed silver purse from Syria. Other unusual items were

hand carved and painted walking sticks from Equador and tulips made from Thai silk.

The store is small but not too crowded, and the salespeople are helpful and familiar with the merchandise. There is a vast selection of UNICEF cards and posters and many other items of interest that would make fine gifts. The U.N. Gift Shop is open 11 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Saturday, and 11 A.M. to 9 P.M. Thursday evenings, including Christmas Eve.

Marjorie Mann

### NOTICE TO OUR ADVERTISERS

Please remember when submitting or changing copy that even though our copy deadline is on or about the first of the month, the Foggy Bottom News does not appear until approximately three weeks later.

### FBA RESIDENT HONORED

Henrietta Y. Zoltrow, Jefferson House resident and FBA member, has two firsts. Not only is she the only female to serve on the Board of Directors for the Metropolitan Association of Independent Insurance Agents, but she was the first female to receive an award last month as the Outstanding Insurance Agent of the year from the aforementioned organization. Miss Zoltrow has her own insurance agency in Washington, D.C. - and has done it all without Women's Lib!

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## DECEMBER 26 - SATURDAY

**NUTCRACKER**, beginning the Christmas production of the "Nutcracker," by the Washington Ballet at Constitution Hall,

## DECEMBER 27 - SUNDAY

**OPERA**, "Hansel and Gretel," by Humperdinck, Washington Civic Opera, sponsored by the D. C. Department of Recreation; Western High School, 35th and R Sts., NW, 3 PM. Free.

**PIANO RECITAL**, by Bonnie Kellert; The Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St., NW., 5 PM. Free.

**CHORAL PROGRAM**, "L'Enfance du Christ," by Hector Berlioz, The Cathedral Choral Society, Paul Callaway, director; Washington Cathedral, 5:30 PM. Free.

**CONCERT**, Kenneth A Thompson, basso-cantante; Richard Doren, pianist, National Gallery of Art, East Garden Court, 7 PM. Free.

**SUNDAY MUSIC HOUR**, Judith Ginsburg, pianist; and Judith Frank, cellist, Barker Hall, YWCA, 17th & K Sts., NW. 3 PM. Free.

## DECEMBER 28 - MONDAY

**OPERA**, "Hansel and Gretel," by Humperdinck, Washington Civic Opera, sponsored by the D. C. Department of Recreation; Western High School, 35th and R Sts., NW., 7:30 PM. Free.

## DECEMBER 29 - TUESDAY

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6:00 pm - Evensong

11:30 pm - Procession and Solemn  
Mass of Midnight

### Christmas Day

7:45 am - Matins

8:00 am - Low Mass of the Dawn

10:00 am - Solemn Mass of the Day

6:00 pm - Evensong

### St. Stephen's Day - December 26

Masses at 7, 9:30 and 12

### December 27 - First Sunday after Christ- mas

7:45 am - Matins

8:00 am - Mass

9:00 am - Procession & Sung Mass  
Parish Christmas Party after the  
9:00 Mass

11:15 am - Procession & Solemn Mass

8:00 pm - Solemn Evensong and  
Benediction

### December 28 - Holy Innocents

Masses at 7, 12 and 6:15

### December 29 - St. John the Evangelist

Masses at 7, 9:30, 12 and 6:15

### December 30 - St. Thomas of Canter- bury

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### January 1 - Holy Name of Jesus

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a proposed amendment to the by-laws of the Foggy Bottom Association, calling for expansion of the Association boundaries north to L Street, NW, and east to 20th Street NW, will be presented to the membership at the January 1971 meeting for discussion and a vote.

## GOOD NEIGHBORS

While the FBA decidedly prefers one family residences in the Bottom, recognition should be given to buildings of other types which conform to good taste and good neighborliness. Among these we can include Potomac Plaza Apartments which closed down its incinerator in March 1968, a good three years before required to by city ordinance and in addition to keeping the air clean provides what is probably the largest proportion of greensward to building area of any structure in the Bottom, and trees, shrubs and grass kept green, trim and neat.

It had been hoped to be able to include George Washington University's Warwick Building across 24th Street from the Immaculate Conception Academy at K Street (the latter shows still careful maintenance), but the machinery at that building still stands open to the street without so much as a fig leaf to hide its ugliness. Let's hope Mr. Ludwig of GWU Hospital will find time in his administrative duties to see to it that the screen of shrubs referred to in the FBN of last June becomes real.

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